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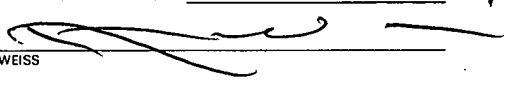
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Dear Sir/Madam:

This is in Response to the Office Communication mailed September 23, 2002, for the above-captioned patent application. This response is submitted on or before November 23, 2002, with a request for a one (1)-month extension of time, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and the requisite fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). In connection with the above-captioned application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the following amendment and remarks.